REMARKS

Claims 29-35, 37, 39-43, 48, 50, 55, 57, 58, and 60-63, and 65 are amended without prejudice or disclaimer. Support for the amendments may be found in the claims themselves and throughout the specification. Claims 29-65 remain pending in the application for consideration. In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application.

Examiner Interview

Counsel would like to thank Examiner Dalencourt for a telephonic interview on February 16, 2010. During the interview Counsel and Examiner discussed the pending rejection with respect to the priority documents on which this Application and U.S. Published Patent Application Number 20020065864 naming Hartsell et al. (hereinafter, "Hartsell") rely. Counsel noted that Hartsell had an actual filing date after the actual filing date of this Application. Counsel and Examiner also discussed the impact of the various priority applications. No agreement was reached.

Counsel and Examiner also discussed whether a restriction requirement had issued in this Application. Although no agreement was reached, it is Counsel's understanding is that the Office has not issued a restriction requirement in this Application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner contact Counsel to discuss this application before issuing any subsequent office actions. Applicant sincerely appreciates the Examiner's willingness to work with Applicant in advancing prosecution.

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